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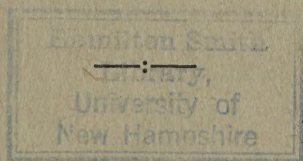
TOWN OFFICERS

OF

SURRY, N. H.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN

VALUATION OF THE TOWN

Real estate,	\$272,085 00
Horses 102,	7,900 00
Oxen, 2,	175 00
Cows 198,	12,600 00
Other neat stock 62,	2,340 00
Sheep 1,	5 00
Hogs 1,	15 00
Fowls 406,	462 00
Vehicles 12,	575 00
Portable mills 4,	325 00
Gasoline pumps and tank 1,	150 00
Wood and lumber,	8,795 00
Stock in trade,	1,800 00
	\$304,427 00

TAXES ASSESSED FOR THE YEAR

State tax,	\$609 50
County tax,	545 25
Town charges,	600 00
School tax, \$5.00 per \$1,000 on equalized valuation,	1,777 69
High school tuition,	770 00
Salaries of district officers,	55 00
Per capita tax,	82 00
Repairs,	100 00
Transportation,	109 25
Superintendent's excess salary,	107 15
Highways and bridges,	760 93

Special highways,	200 00
State aid construction,	456 00
State maintenance,	250 00
Monadnock road, trunk line,	25 00
Road scraper,	250 00
Percentage,	142 81
	\$6,840 58
Poll taxes, 105 at \$5.00,	525 00
Amount committed to collector, including poll taxes,	\$7,365 58

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF SURRY

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer, Jan. 31, 1925,	\$156 94
Due from state, maintenance account,	296 30
Due from state, construction account,	6 25
Uncollected taxes, levy of 1922,	13 04
Uncollected taxes, levy of 1923,	698 16
Uncollected taxes, levy of 1924,	1,814 34
Due from town hall, rent 1924,	15 00
Due from county for aid of A. F. Griswold,	94 00
	\$3,094 03

LIABILITIES

Due to school funds for dog licenses,	\$74 33
State and town joint highway accounts:	
Unexpended balances in state treasury,	302 55
Unexpended balance in town treasury,	306 72
Salaries due to town officers for 1924,	
(estimated),	250 00
	\$933 60
Excess of assets over liabilities,	\$2,160 43

LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall,	\$5,000 00
Furniture and equipment,	100 00
Highway department, equipment,	350 00
Fire department, equipment,	200 00
Wright grove,	400 00
New Hampshire law reports,	300 00
Hearse,	50 00
Schools, lands and buildings,	2,000 00
Equipment,	100 00
	\$8,500 00

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

REGISTRY OF DOGS FOR 1924

Male dogs 31,	\$61 33
Female dogs 4,	20 00
	\$81 33
Clerk's fee at 20c,	7 00
	\$74 33

REPORT OF CEMETERY LOTS

Received for three lots,	\$15 00
Received for two lots,	4 00
	\$19 00

REPORT OF PERMITS FOR REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Received for 59 permits,	\$334 32
Paid for manual,	4 53
	\$329 79
Paid treasurer,	\$423 12

Respectfully submitted,

MYRON H. PORTER,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

For the Year Ending Jan. 31, 1925

Current revenue—from local taxes:

Property taxes, current year,	\$5,012 16
Poll taxes, 45 at \$5.00,	225 00
Property and poll taxes, previous year,	1,626 66
National Bank stock tax,	14 08

Total of above collections,	\$6,877 90
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From state:

For state aid maintenance,	\$378 28
For state aid construction,	195 36
Railroad tax,	17 76
Savings Bank tax,	215 65
Tax on dividends,	10 98
Bounty on hedghogs,	6 80
Bounty on wildeats,	20 00

\$853 83

From county:

Aid of A. F. Griswold,	\$120 00
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From local sources except taxes:

Rent of town hall,	\$35 00
Dog licenses,	74 33
Permits for registration of motor vehicles,	329 79
Interest received on taxes,	89 14

Receipts other than current revenue:	
Sale of cemetery lots,	19 00
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	700 00
Total receipts from all sources,	\$9,098 99
Cash on hand February 1, 1924,	183 11
	\$9,282 10

EXPENDITURES

Paid 122 orders drawn on the treasury by the selectmen,	9,125 16
Balance in treasury January 31, 1925,	\$156 94

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. HARVEY,

Town Treasurer.

DISBURSEMENTS BY ORDER OF SELECTMEN

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Samuel Ball, services as selectmen, 1923,	\$70 00
Geo. B. Conley, services as selectmen, 1923,	60 00
H. W. Harvey, services as selectman, 1923	60 00
George Malcolm, services as tax collector, 1923,	71 60
Myron H. Porter, services as town clerk, 1924,	23 00
James E. Harvey, services as treasurer, 1924,	30 00
Clarence H. French, services, moderator, 1924,	2 00
H. W. Harvey, services as moderator, 1924,	4 00
Edward M. Britton, services as sexton, 1924,	25 00
Grace E. Stillings, services as auditor, 1923,	5 00
	\$350 60

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Bonds for town officers,	\$31 50
Printing town reports,	49 00
O. E. Cain, town counsel,	15 00
Supplies and stationery,	19 98
	\$115 48

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Services of supervisors,	\$27 00
Services of ballot inspectors,	22 00
	\$49 00

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

G. H. Aldrich & Son, insurance,	\$56 25
A. B. Palmer, insurance,	36 09
Janitor,	27 00
Oil for hall and library,	8 23
Cleaning lamps,	1 25

Wood and sawing,	25 35
	\$154 17

REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL

Lamps,	\$18 50
Lumber,	6 68
Hardware and paint,	19 09
Labor,	44 50
	\$88 77

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Keene Fire Department,	\$45 00
Bounty on hedge hogs,	6 80
Soda and acid,	6 48
	\$58 28

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Vital statistics,	\$6 25
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HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

STATE HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Balance in state treasury, 1923,	\$456 58	
Balance in town treasury, 1923,	456 57	
Balance in joint fund,		\$913 15
Appropriation by state, 1924,	250 00	
Appropriation by town, 1924,	250 00	
		\$500 00
Total joint fund for 1924,		\$1,413 15

Expended by Edward M. Britton,	\$715 73	
Expended by H. W. Harvey,	81 83	
Expended by the state,	23 00	
		\$820 56
		797 50
		\$23 06
Unexpended balance in state treasury,		\$296 30
Unexpended balance in town treasury,		296 29
		\$592 59

TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Expended by Edward M. Britton,		\$379 26
Expended on West Hill road:		
Breaking roads,	\$90 50	
General repairing of roads,	399 54	
Expended for new tile,	10 08	
Total,		\$500 12
Expended by G. B. Conley, North		
End road,	\$46 72	
Expended by H. W. Harvey, Lam-		
memin road,	45 17	
Expended by F. D. W. Carpenter,		
South End road,	51 20	
Expended by Selectmen, breaking roads	43 96	
Tools and hardware,	15 78	
		\$202 83

NEW ROAD MACHINE

Good Roads Machine Co., scraper,	\$233 60
Freight,	6 40

12

Delivering from Keene and setting up machine,	5 00
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Total cost of road machine,		\$245 00
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TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Monadnock road,		\$21 54
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LIBRARY

Librarian,		\$52 00
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PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Memorial Day, flags and flowers,		\$8 28
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MOTOR VEHICLES

Registration fees,		\$14 75
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PAYMENTS ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Ashuelot- Citizens National Bank,		
Temporary loan in anticipation of taxes,	700 00	
Interest on loan,	10 71	

		\$710 71
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UNCLASSIFIED

Town history,		\$50 00
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CHARITIES

Aid to A. F. Griswold,	\$214 00	
Keeping tramps,	3 50	

		\$217 50
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STATE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Money available	State	Town	Total	
Balance, 1923,	\$77 09	\$128 49	\$205 58	
Appropriation, 1924,	273 00	456 00	729 60	
Total,				\$935 18
Expended by H. W. Harvey, foreman,			\$769 42	
Expended by state,			149 08	
				\$918 50
Unexpended balances, state \$6.25; town, \$10 43				\$16 68

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State treasurer, state tax,	\$609 50
State treasurer, poll taxes,	110 00
County treasurer, tax,	545 25
Treasurer of school district,	3,068 89
	\$4,333 64

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. HARVEY,

G. B. CONLEY,

F. D. W. CARPENTER,

Selectmen of Surry.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

	Amount of Principal Jan. 31, 1924	Income 1924	Expended 1924	Balance of Income Jan. 31, 1925
Mary Hayward fund,	\$200 00	\$13 30	\$4 00	\$137 24
Sarah Aldrich fund,	100 00	7 10	3 00	80 37
Marietta C. Wright fund,	5,000 00	200 00	200 00	
Abijah Benton fund,	50 00	2 06	3 00	
Charles W. Reed fund,	100 00	4 40	4 00	6 71
Susan Hill fund,	80 87	5 86		68 78
Sumner Wilder fund,	175 00	7 06		7 06
Hattie E. Streeter fund	100 00	4 08		4 75

HOLLIS W. HARVEY,
FRANK E. B. MASON,
LEON A. HODGKINS,

Trustees.

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

This is to certify that I have audited the accounts of the town officers of Surry, and find them to be correct to the best of my knowledge, with vouchers therefor.

GRACE E. STILLINGS,

Town Auditor.

February 18, 1925.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Surry:

I herewith submit my second annual report as superintendent of your schools. In it, I shall make a brief survey of some of the accomplishments, needs and objectives of the past year.

Throughout the extent of our republic from Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, school officers and interested citizens have asked themselves what vehicle or connecting link has brought us as a nation from the "Yesterdays," the time when we rode in wagons, plowed with oxen, harvested with the sickle or cradle, threshed with the flail, read by candle light, to the luxuries and modernized activities of the "Todays," when we ride in automobiles and airplanes, upheave the fields with tractors, harvest and thresh with the same operation, read and acquire knowledge by electric light and radio.

Out of the dark shadows of the past, comes the answer, yet wearing the scars of struggle and the stripes of toil, but bearing in triumph the wisdom of all ages. We call her education, the torch that enlightens the world, fires the imagination of man and gives wings to the visions of youth, saturates the dreams of the aged and renders might to hand and brain. We, having confidence in this parent of progress, creator of culture and moulder of destiny look forward with assurance to the "Tomorrows" of our Democracy, believing that education will provide for us the foundations of our future progress, that she will give the youth of our land the backbone of morals. Indeed, we trust our system of free education will become the conservator of the American home, the essential of citizenship and the inspiration for living.

The school is our workshop. Here we must stir the ambitions, stimulate ideals and forge the keys that open the door of opportunity to our children.

HEALTH ACTIVITIES

Dr. H. G. Williams, medical examiner of the Surry schools, submits the following results of his examination given last November.

Number of cases of defective vision,	4
Number of cases of defective teeth,	24
Number of cases of hypertrophied tonsils,	26
Number of cases of adenoids,	14
Number of cases of defective breathing,	2
Number of cases unvaccinated,	8

In looking over reports for several years, I note few corrections from year to year. Herein we fail to realize the greatest benefits from our medical inspection. Either parents should consider themselves responsible to see that defects reported to them by the physician were corrected or a school nurse employed who would attend to the follow up work, if we are to enjoy the full blessings of medical advice.

If arrangements could be made to unite a sufficient number of towns for the purpose of employing a full time nurse, a compensation of \$1.50 per pupil would be paid by the State.

Medical inspection in the schools serves a two-fold function. First, to find out the physical defects of the children and as far as possible to secure such treatment as will remedy the defects. This is the curative part of medical inspection. The second function is positive. It seeks not only to cure, but also to secure action and habitual practice in the rules which secure right and healthy living. It is not enough to cure physical weakness and disease. The boys and girls must be taught how to live in accordance with the principals of good health.

OBJECTIVES

Of the seven objectives of education promulgated by the National Teachers' Association and broadcasted over the United States, we have placed emphasis particularly on the first, second, fourth and seventh viz: (1) "Health," (2) "Grasp of Fundamentals," (3) "Good Citizenship," (4) "Ethical Character."

Reading, writing, arithmetic, English, geography, history and spelling comprises the backbone of our course of study. The efficiency with which these fundamental subjects are taught determines the strength or weakness of our schools. Fair results were obtained during the year 1923-1924.

The following standard tests were given to pupils above second grade: Thorndike-McCall Reading, Ayres Spelling, Charter's Language, Gregory's American History, Gregory-Spencer Geography and Stanford's Achievement Test. The results from all grades with a few exceptions were fairly satisfactory and compared favorably with the standards established for the various grades.

At the close of the school year of 1924, six pupils completed their eighth grade work and were presented certificates of promotion. These were as follows: Gale Hodgkins, Charlotte Scripture, Florence Britton, Pearl Kelly, George Malcolm and Peter Malcolm. All are continuing their studies at the Keene High School.

For the present year, Miss Edith Winchester continues her services at the West Hill school. Mrs. Etta B. Rowell has the village school well organized, orderly and moving along approved lines. At the North End, Miss Vera White began her teaching experience and is enthusiastic in her work.

All the teachers are devoted to their profession, alert to the needs of their pupils and are rendering valuable service to their respective communities.

From the statistics given in this report I note that Surry has maintained a lower per cent of attendance for the year

1923-1924 than the District or State. This is an unfavorable feature of our school work.

Punctuality and regular attendance are habits essential to the foundations of a successful life and have a direct bearing upon school progress and promotions. But a much higher per cent of attendance has been maintained during the five months of the present school year. If we can continue the good work, we can score a much higher rate for the school year 1924-1925. To accomplish this is worthy of your best efforts.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Board, teachers and citizens for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Marlborough, February 12, 1925.

HONOR ROLL

Pupils Neither Absent Nor Tardy

FIRST TERM

Donald Crane	Edna Hodgkins
Gale Hodgkins	Denman Wilbur
Howard Wilbur	

SECOND TERM

Denman Wilbur	Howard Wilbur
Alton G. Wilder	

THIRD TERM

Doris Britton	Weston Ball
Florence Britton	Edna Hodgkins
Elizabeth Ball	Stanley Scripture
Alton Wilder	

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1923-1924

Number of pupils enrolled in school in town,	46
Number of non-resident pupils enrolled,	4
Number of half-days schools were in session,	349
Number of half-days schools were closed for holidays, etc.,	11
Average membership for the year,	32.33
Average attendance for the year,	29.29
Per cent of attendance for Surry,	90
Per cent of attendance for District,	91.5
Per cent of attendance for State,	93.9
Number of visits made by school board,	4
Number of visits made by superintendent,	45
Number of visits made by citizens,	53

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SCHOOL

Year Ending June 30, 1924

RECEIPTS

State and Federal Aid:

Equalization fund for elementary schools,	\$607 56
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Local taxation:

For the support of elementary schools,	\$1,777 69
For high school and academy tuition,	525 00
For salaries of district officers,	55 00
For per capita tax,	98 00
Excess salary of superintendent,	100 00
Repairs,	40 00
Insurance,	75 00

Total,	\$2,670 69
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Other sources:

Income from local trust funds,	22 04
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Total receipts,	\$3,300 29
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Cash on hand July 1, 1923,	57 61
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Grand total,	\$3,357 90
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Total expenditures,	3,282 17
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Balance in treasury, June 30, 1924,	\$75 73
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In accordance with the custom now followed by most

towns, the school report this year covers the entire school year from July 1, 1923 to June 30, 1924. The current year will be in next year's report. This does away with the confusion of trying to report parts of two years, one of which is still unfinished.

EXPENDITURES

Administration:

Salaries of district officers,	\$55 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	107 15
Truant officers and school census,	17 86

Instruction:

Teachers' salaries,	1,680 04
Text books,	27 89
Scholars' supplies,	77 92
Flags and appurtenances,	11
Other expense of instruction,	95

Operation and maintenance:

Janitor,	108 00
Fuel,	171 50
Water, light, janitor's supplies,	6 80
Minor repairs and expenses,	64 70

Special activities:

Medical inspection,	20 00
Transportation,	193 75
High school and academy tuition,	577 50

Fixed charges:

Insurance,	75 00
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Debt, interest and other charges:

Tax for state wide supervision,	98 00
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Total,	\$3,282 17
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SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1925-1926

For statutory requirements:	
For high school tuitions, 10 at \$70,	\$700 00
For per capita tax,	82 00
For superintendent's excess salary,	103 45

For general school purposes:	
Salary of district officers,	55 00
*Support of elementary schools (\$5 tax),	1,777 69
Repairs,	100 00
	\$2,818 14

*This estimate is subject to change in accordance with the new equalized valuation.

HARRIE E. SCRIPTURE,
 ERNEST W. BALL,
 GRACE E. STILLINGS,
 School Board of Surry.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

For the Year Ending January 31, 1925

Balance in treasury January 31, 1924,	\$1,725 35
Paid 47 orders by school board,	1,649 59
Balance in bank Sept. 1,	\$75 76
Oct 1, from town treasurer,	\$200 00
Oct. 30, from town treasurer,	200 00
Nov. 5, from town treasurer,	50 00
Nov. 25, from town treasurer,	300 00
Dec. 18, from town treasurer,	500 00
Jan. 13, from town treasurer,	250 00
Jan. 29, from town treasurer,	300 00
Jan. 31, from state treasurer,	542 06
Jan. 31, from town treasurer, dog tax, 1923,	67 80
Jan. 31, from town treasurer,	1,201 09
Total receipts,	\$3,686 71
Paid 41 orders by school board,	\$1,728 49
Balance in treasury, Jan. 31, 1925,	\$1,958 22

CLARENCE H. FRENCH,
District Treasurer.

Surry, N. H., Feb. 1, 1925.

This is to certify that I have this day audited the books of the Treasurer of the school board and the school board and find them correct in every particular as regards receipts and disbursements.

GEORGE MALCOLM,
Auditor.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1924.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.							
Feb. 2		M	5	Norman Lund	Hazel Cushman	Sawyer	Groton, Vt.	Waterford, Vt.	25	24
July 10		M	6	Leon I. Curtis	Grace L. Guillo w	Farmer	Keene	Surry	40	35
Aug. 19	Pauline May	F	1	Harold J. Sweeney	Mamie Stowell	Laborer	Royalston, Ms.	Royalston, Ms.	24	22
Sept 16		F	1	Fred E. Richardson	Grace E. Rumlill	Laborer	Surry	Royalston, Ms.	34	19
Oct. 26		F	6	Felix H. Lorette	Bessie C. O'Brien	Laborer	Rawncell, Vt.	Fitzwilliam	30	28

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1924.

Date of Mar- riage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	* Condition	Name, Residence and Official Sta- tion of person by whom mar- ried.
June 16	Swanzy	Lester E. R. Hale Bessie I. Hood	Surry Alstead	25 18	Lumberman At home	Troy Francetown	John F. Hale Chloie E. Rice	East Swanzy Ware	1st 1st	Ry. S. S. Wood Swanzy
Aug. 11	Swanzy	Theodore Smith Mary Visbowne	Surry Surry	20 18	Teamster At home	Manchester Litheraulia	Emma Putnam Charles Smith Helen Gagnon George Visbowne — Bogust	Francetown Manchester Canada Litheraulia Litheraulia	1st 1st	Ry. S. S. Wood Swanzy
Sept. 6	Chesham	Elmer Davis Stella Harris	Surry Gilsun	28 18	Mining At home	Surry Dorchester	Wm. O. Davis Mary Cady Frank Harris Annie Sleeper	Gilsun Alstead Canada Suncook	1st 1st	B. F. Bemis, J. P. Harrisville

*What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SURRY, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENGING DECEMBER 31, 1924.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n		Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male or Female.	S, M., W.*	Father.	Mother.		
Feb. 2	— Lund					M	S	Groton, Vt.	Waterford, Vt.	Norman Lund	Hazel Cushman
Feb. 28	Minnie Harvey	57		24	Surry	F	S	Surry	Surry	George K. Harvey	Sarah L. Wilcox
Feb. 28	Sarah L. Harvey	90	1	16	Surry	F	W	Surry	Surry	Hollis Wilcox	Thankful Robbins
Aug. 16	Frank E. Nesmith	72	2	12	Merrimack	M	W	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	Freeman Wilber	Nancy Hall
Oct. 18	Alonzo F. Wilber	81	4	14	Surry	M	W	Westmoreland	Westmoreland	Henry H. Howard	Lucinda Davis
Nov. 12	Horace W. Howard	84	7	21	Gilsum	M	M	Swansey	Sullivan	Rufus Lund	Alma Lund
Nov. 27	Hollis A. Lund	52	9	23	Brownington, Vt.	M	M	Groton, Vt.	Barton, Vt.		

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

M. H. PORTER,
Town Clerk.

